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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

JONATHAN WAYNE BOTTEN, SR.;

TANJA DUDEK-BOTTEN;

ANNABELLE BOTTEN; and J.B., a

minor, by and through his guardian

JONATHAN WAYNE BOTTEN, SR.,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA; COUNTY

OF SAN BERNARDINO; ISAIAH

KEE; MICHAEL BLACKWOOD;

BERNARDO RUBALCAVA; ROBERT

VACCARI; JAKE ADAMS; and DOES

1-10, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No. 5:23-cv-00257-KK-SHK

Honorable Kenly Kiya Kato

**DECLARATION OF JONATHAN
WAYNE BOTTEN, SR.**

1 I, Jonathan Wayne Botten, Sr., hereby declare as follows:

2 1. I am a plaintiff in above-referenced matter. I am a competent adult and
3 personally familiar with the facts contained herein and would and could competently
4 testify thereto if called upon to do so.

5 2. After sustaining injuries on February 17, 2021, following the officer-
6 involved shooting that occurred outside of my then-residence, located at 17994
7 Catalpa Street in Hesperia, California, I was transported to Desert Valley Hospital to
8 be treated for my injuries.


9 3. While treating my gunshot wounds at Desert Valley Hospital, a doctor
10 told me that the gunshot wound I sustained to my right forearm was likely caused by
11 a 40 or 45-caliber bullet.

12 4. On February 17, 2021, at approximately 9:00 a.m. in the morning, I
13 was interviewed by a Detective Hernandez at the Hesperia Sheriff's Station
14 regarding the February 17, 2021 shooting incident that occurred in front of my then-
15 residence. During the interview, I mentioned to the detective that the doctor had
16 informed me that the gunshot wound to my right forearm was likely caused by
17 something similar to a 45-caliber bullet.

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19 I declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the United States of America,
20 that the foregoing is true and correct.

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22 Executed 2/25/2025, in oakhills, California.

23 Signed by:

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26 Jonathan Wayne Botten, Sr.
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